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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

730 ILCS 5/3-14-1

from Ch. 38, par. 1003-14-1

Amends the Unified Code of Corrections. Provides that prior to release of a person on parole, mandatory supervised release, final discharge, or pardon the Department of Corrections shall screen that person for Medicaid eligibility. Requires prison officials to assist an eligible person fill out a Medicaid application to ensure that the person begins receiving benefits immediately after his or her release.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY HB1599

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AN ACT concerning criminal law.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by
changing Section 3-14-1 as follows:

6 (730 ILCS 5/3-14-1) (from Ch. 38, par. 1003-14-1)

7 Sec. 3-14-1. Release from the Institution.

8 (a) Upon release of a person on parole, mandatory release, 9 final discharge or pardon the Department shall return all property held for him, provide him with suitable clothing and 10 procure necessary transportation for him to his designated 11 place of residence and employment. It may provide such person 12 13 with a grant of money for travel and expenses which may be paid 14 in installments. The amount of the money grant shall be determined by the Department. 15

16 The Department of Corrections may establish and maintain, 17 in any institution it administers, revolving funds to be known as "Travel and Allowances Revolving Funds". These revolving 18 funds shall be used for advancing travel and expense allowances 19 20 to committed, paroled, and discharged prisoners. The moneys 21 paid into such revolving funds shall be from appropriations to 22 Department for Committed, Paroled, and Discharged the Prisoners. 23

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1	(a-1) Prior to release of a person on parole, mandatory
2	supervised release, final discharge, or pardon the Department
3	shall screen that person for Medicaid eligibility. Prison
4	officials shall assist an eligible person fill out a Medicaid
5	application to ensure that the person begins receiving benefits
6	immediately after his or her release.

(b) (Blank).

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Except as otherwise provided in this Code, the 8 (C) 9 Department shall establish procedures to provide written 10 notification of any release of any person who has been 11 convicted of a felony to the State's Attorney and sheriff of 12 the county from which the offender was committed, and the 13 State's Attorney and sheriff of the county into which the offender is to be paroled or released. Except as otherwise 14 provided in this Code, the Department shall 15 establish 16 procedures to provide written notification to the proper law 17 enforcement agency for any municipality of any release of any person who has been convicted of a felony if the arrest of the 18 offender or the commission of the offense took place in the 19 20 municipality, if the offender is to be paroled or released into 21 the municipality, or if the offender resided in the 22 municipality at the time of the commission of the offense. If a 23 person convicted of a felony who is in the custody of the Department of Corrections or on parole or mandatory supervised 24 25 release informs the Department that he or she has resided, resides, or will reside at an address that is a housing 26

facility owned, managed, operated, or leased by a public 1 housing agency, the Department must send written notification 2 3 of that information to the public housing agency that owns, manages, operates, or leases the housing facility. The written 4 5 notification shall, when possible, be given at least 14 days before release of the person from custody, or 6 as soon 7 thereafter as possible.

8 (c-1) (Blank).

9 (c-5) If a person on parole or mandatory supervised release 10 becomes a resident of a facility licensed or regulated by the 11 Department of Public Health, the Illinois Department of Public 12 Aid, or the Illinois Department of Human Services, the 13 Department of Corrections shall provide copies of the following 14 information to the appropriate licensing or regulating 15 Department and the licensed or regulated facility where the 16 person becomes a resident:

17 (1) The mittimus and any pre-sentence investigation18 reports.

19 (2) The social evaluation prepared pursuant to Section20 3-8-2.

(3) Any pre-release evaluation conducted pursuant to
 subsection (j) of Section 3-6-2.

23 (4) Reports of disciplinary infractions and24 dispositions.

(5) Any parole plan, including orders issued by the
 Prisoner Review Board, and any violation reports and

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1 dispositions.

2 (6) The name and contact information for the assigned3 parole agent and parole supervisor.

4 This information shall be provided within 3 days of the 5 person becoming a resident of the facility.

6 (c-10) If a person on parole or mandatory supervised 7 release becomes a resident of a facility licensed or regulated 8 by the Department of Public Health, the Illinois Department of 9 Public Aid, or the Illinois Department of Human Services, the 10 Department of Corrections shall provide written notification 11 of such residence to the following:

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(1) The Prisoner Review Board.

13 (2) The chief of police and sheriff in the municipality14 and county in which the licensed facility is located.

15 The notification shall be provided within 3 days of the 16 person becoming a resident of the facility.

17 (d) Upon the release of a committed person on parole, mandatory supervised release, final discharge or pardon, the 18 19 Department shall provide such person with information 20 concerning programs and services of the Illinois Department of 21 Public Health to ascertain whether such person has been exposed 22 to the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) or any identified 23 causative agent of Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

(e) Upon the release of a committed person on parole,
 mandatory supervised release, final discharge, or pardon, the
 Department shall provide the person who has met the criteria

established by the Department with an identification card 1 2 identifying the person as being on parole, mandatory supervised 3 release, final discharge, or pardon, as the case may be. The Department, in consultation with the Office of the Secretary of 4 5 State, shall prescribe the form of the identification card, 6 which may be similar to the form of the standard Illinois 7 Identification Card. The Department shall inform the committed 8 person that he or she may present the identification card to 9 the Office of the Secretary of State upon application for a 10 standard Illinois Identification Card in accordance with the 11 Illinois Identification Card Act. The Department shall require 12 the committed person to pay a \$1 fee for the identification 13 card.

14 For purposes of a committed person receiving an 15 identification card issued by the Department under this 16 subsection, the Department shall establish criteria that the 17 committed person must meet before the card is issued. It is the sole responsibility of the committed person requesting the 18 identification card issued by the Department to meet the 19 20 established criteria. The person's failure to meet the criteria 21 is sufficient reason to deny the committed person the 22 identification card. An identification card issued by the 23 Department under this subsection shall be valid for a period of time not to exceed 30 calendar days from the date the card is 24 25 issued. The Department shall not be held civilly or criminally 26 liable to anyone because of any act of any person utilizing a

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1 card issued by the Department under this subsection.

The Department shall adopt rules governing the issuance of identification cards to committed persons being released on parole, mandatory supervised release, final discharge, or pardon.

6 (Source: P.A. 94-163, eff. 7-11-05.)